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JAP. DISASTER

A Cruiser and a Battleship Lost

RUSSIA IS JUBILANT

The Baltic Squadron Will Be Ready in Six Weeks. Orders Is- sued to the Black Sea Fleet

St. Petersburg, May 20.—No news which has been received here in a long time has given so much pleasure to the populace and officials as that telling of the destruction of at least one Japanese battleship and a big cruiser by Russian mines off Port Arthur. The first result of the news has been a greatly increased activity in navy yards and ship building plants. It had been about decided that Russia could not regain the command of the Yellow and Japan seas, but now the officials are of the opinion that Russia can send sufficient force to either destroy the Japanese fleet or compel it to seek the protection of fortifications. A correspondent is informed on high authority that the work is being rushed as rapidly as possible for the Baltic squadron to get ready to sail as soon as possible and within six weeks it is confidently expected that it should be as far as the fighting line is concerned, be on the way to the Eastern waters.

Negotiations have been resumed, it is also reported from reliable sources, with Turkey to permit the Black Sea squadron to pass the Dardanelles, and that the Russian officers have been warned to place the squadron on effective war footing without loss of time.

Tokio, May 19.—3 a.m.—Vice Admiral Togo has reported as follows: "A report from the Rear Admiral says that the cruiser Kasuga and the battleship Yamashiro collided during a fog off Port Arthur on May 15th. The Yamashiro sank. Only ninety of her crew were saved. On the same day the battleship Matsushima struck a Russian mine and sank."

Tokio, May 19.—9:30 p.m.—Giving details of the disaster, Vice Admiral Togo says: "At fourteen minutes past one in the afternoon of May 15th, in a fog off Port Arthur, the Kasuga rammed the Yamashiro, sinking the latter in a few minutes. Ninety nine of her crew were saved. The same morning the Matsushima, while cruising off Port Arthur, covering the landing of the soldiers, struck a mine ten knots southeast of the harbor entrance. She signalled for help and instantly struck another mine. She sank in half an hour. Three hundred of her crew were saved by torpedo boats."

Chefoo reports received here today say that the Japanese have taken a portion of New Chwang, going over from Tashikoa. Refugees arriving there report that seven Japanese warships have been blown up and sunk by the Russian mines in Kerr Bay and off Port Arthur. They declare that the battleship Shishima and the armored cruiser Asama were sent to the bottom with frightful loss of life and that the battleship Hamgiri was so badly damaged that she can hardly be got to a Japanese port to repair the damages. All of these losses and disasters, according to the report, were caused by Russian mines. It is reported there, but the report is not confirmed, that the Japanese have taken Parky Cheng and are advancing along the railroad towards Liao Yang.

The fighting line is steadily nearing Mukden, where General Alexeeff's headquarters still remain. Little reliable information can be obtained of the newspaper correspondents, who are forbidden to proceed to the scene of operations, and official information is withheld until advice is sent to St. Petersburg. It is known, however, that the Japanese are almost within striking distance of the Russians, and that the force protecting Liao Yang are stretching eastward from the railroad along the Mao Tien mountain range. The Japanese are advancing in three columns, and are now north of Su Yen and Feng Wang Cheng. The columns are reported to be working further to the northward, with the object of turning the Russian position and advancing upon Mukden.

Numerous small engagements have been fought, but no decisive action has taken place. Port Arthur is now completely isolated by the Japanese expedition at Polandien. The Japanese are now operating in a rugged country, well suited to the Russian defense; but north of the Liao Yang to Mukden the country is a flat plain, intersected by rivers. The weather recently has been hot and dry, but the rain which has fallen in the past two days has made the road almost impassable for vehicles, and when the rainy season begins at the end of June this plain will be converted into a morass. This condition will probably result in the practical suspension of operations.

Mukden is now the receiving centre for the wounded from the various engagements south of the Mao Tien mountains. A hospital has been established at the Lama Temple, in the outskirts of the town, and a field hospital has been located in a wood near the military camp, around the station.

Mukden, May 19.—The Chinese report that a Japanese flying column has been moving towards Mukden. It is believed this report is true. Last night seventeen Japanese ships are said to have appeared off Hanju, but night operations after doing nothing. Other reports state that the Russian's successes are causing further Japanese delay.

St. Petersburg, May 19.—Large bodies of cavalry are being sent to the front at the orders of General Kuropatkin. Full advantage will be taken of the Japanese weakness in this particular branch.

STONY PLAIN

(Bulletin Correspondence).

There has been an exceptionally good spring for work, the majority of the farmers have their seedling finished.

Mr. Van Schultze has completed a very artistic garden fence.

Arbor Day was observed here. Warden school was the scene of much activity. The scholars were diligently employed under the supervision of Miss J. Little, teacher, and Mr. Munroe of Edmonton. The yard presents a very neat appearance now, thickly dotted with flower beds and surrounded by newly planted trees.

Messrs. G. Emerson and P. McPhee left the Landing this week with a large consignment of dressed lumber for Edmonton and Fort Saskatchewan. The river is very unfavorable for rafting this spring on account of low water.

Boys' opening services were conducted in Warden schoolhouse on Sunday at 11 a.m., by Rev. George Livingston, who presented a very instructive sermon to the young people. Mr. Livingston intends, holding services in the future every Sunday evening at 7 o'clock.

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The Late Henry M. Stanley

Sir Henry Morton Stanley, the most famous of modern explorers, was born of poor parents near Denbigh, Wales, in 1811, and at first bore the name of John Rowland. When about fifteen he worked his way as cabin boy to New Orleans, where he was employed by a merchant named Stanley, whose name he assumed. He served in the Confederate army in the civil war, contributed to several journals, and in 1867 began his connection with the New York Herald. As its special correspondent he accompanied Lord Napier's Abyssinian expedition, and the first news of the fall of Magdala was conveyed to Britain by the New York Herald. Stanley next went to Spain for his paper and in October, 1869, received from Mr. Gordon Bennett the laconic instruction, "Find Livingstone." But first he visited Egypt for the opening of the Suez Canal, and travelled through Palestine, Turkey, Persia and India. In January, 1871, he reached Zanzibar, and in March marched into the heart of Africa. On the 18th November he "found" Livingstone at Ujiji. The two explored the north of Lake Tanganyika, and settled that it had no connection with the Nile basin. In March, 1872, Stanley set out for the coast. On his arrival in England he was awarded the medal of the Royal Geographical Society, and his book, "How I Found Livingstone," had an enormous sale. An expedition under Stanley, who had followed the Ashanti campaign for the New York Herald, was fitted out jointly by the Herald and the Daily Telegraph to complete Livingstone's work, and in August, 1874, he left England for Bagamoyo. Thence he made for the Victoria Nyanza, circumnavigated the lake, formed a close friendship with King Mtesa of Uganda, next determined the shape of Lake Tanganyika, passed down the Luabala to Nyangwe, and by a ten months' journey journey from Nyangwe traced the course of the Congo to the sea. Having published "Through the Dark Continent" in 1878, in 1879 he again went out to find, under the auspices of the King of the Belgians, the Congo Free State. He took part in the Congo Congress at Berlin in 1884-5, and lectured in Great Britain and America on his African work. In 1896 he was summoned from America to take command of the expedition for the relief of Emin Pasha. In March, he, his officers, Sudanese soldiers, etc., landed at the mouth of the Congo. On the 15th of June the expedition had reached Yambuya, on the Aruwimi, where he left a part of his 650 men under Major Bartlelot, and with 388 men marched into the forest. Disaster overtook the rear column, but after long delay, news came that Emin and Stanley had joined hands on the shores of the Albert Nyanza. The return journey was made overland to the east coast, and Bagamoyo was reached in December, 1899. In 1899 he received in London a reception almost royal in its splendor. The Geographical Society gave him a special gold medal and Oxford, Cambridge, Edinburgh and Durham conferred on him honorary degrees. That same year he married the clever artist, Miss Dorothy Tennant. In 1891-92 he lectured in America and Australia. He was naturalized as a British subject in 1892 and stood unsuccessfully for North Lambeth in the Unionist interest; he was, however, returned at the general elections of 1895. Among his published books other than those mentioned are a novel, "My Kalulu," (1873), "Compass and Magdala," (1874)

"The Congo" (1885), "In Darkest Africa, or the Rescue of Emin" (1890), "My Dark Companions and Their Strange Stories" (1893), and "My Early Travels in America and Asia" (1895).

The Fight at Guru

The London Times has the following graphic account of the attack by Tibetans on the British mission at Guru:

On March 28 Gen. Macdonald moved north from Phari to join hands with Colonel Younghusband at this place across the Tang La. The first evening he encamped two miles short of the pass and moved on on the 29th. It was a bitterly cold morning, and soon after dawn a white rainbow threatened a bad crossing. A strong north wind was blowing and a freezing mist from Tuna plain coated with hoar frost and icicles both men and beasts. About 10 o'clock the sun dispersed the mists, and a long tramp across the level plain brought the force and the convoy of supplies to the dreary spot which has for so long been the home of Col. Younghusband and the other members of the mission. It lies concealed behind a slight rise in the plain until one is within two miles of it. Backed by arid ochreous sandstone dunes six or seven hundred feet high, its outlook is the snowfields, peaks and glaciers of the dividing range which culminates to the west in Chumothari. There is little game to shoot, the only walk is two miles across the plain and back, and the houses which the mission originally occupied were hastily abandoned as unhealthy and filthy beyond power of cleansing. A typical day followed the approach of the General. From early morn till seven at night a piercing wind swept the camp from end to end with a hurricane of grit and the discomfort of the men was increased by the device which Gen. Macdonald adopted to throw dust in the eyes of any Tibetan scouts who might be lurking in the hills which hem in the plain to the west. All tents were struck and the men concealed themselves behind the breastworks all day long. Whether the ruse was successful, or whether the Tibetans themselves found the discomfort too great, the sangars and redans, which they had built to check the advance of the mission, was deserted before sunset. Many believed that they had retired altogether and were taking up a better position several miles further on the road to Gyantse.

At 20 minutes past eight on the following morning, the 31st, the force set out towards the Tibetan defences. These consisted of seven or eight sangars built on the spur, which runs—or rather used to run, for the lake is reduced this spring to a mere tinge of its former dimensions—to the edge of the Bam Tso. The road runs close under the spur, and possibly, in wet years, the position selected is not indefensible. This year the fatuity of the Tibetan scheme would, one thinks, be manifest to a child. A clear space of 3,000 yards of level plain stretches between the highway and the nearest swampy place, and no attempt whatever was made to defend this ground. There can be little doubt that the whole project emanated from Lhasa. The authorities there were guided by an obsolete map, or a many-years-old remembrance of the lake, and the general or Depen who came to conduct operations from the capital had perhaps no authority to select another field for his operations.

The wall—it is really a couple of redans with a 12-foot opening in the middle through which the high road takes its way—runs from the end of the spur to a ruined house of mixed stone and adobe about 70 yards away. On the left hand the hills are grassless and gritty, rounded and unstable under foot. The flat plain, extending up to and far beyond the wall, is a continuation of the Tuna plain, and like it, of eldorado grey color, with a scanty growth of thistles pricking up here and there through the patches of snow. If you will add to these a bitter south wind blowing all day in increasing strength beneath a hard, ash-grey sky, the scene of the fight will be understood.

Before the expedition had left camp half an hour the usual Tibetan messenger met it, bearing the usual message. Col. Younghusband must retreat to Yatung. If he went forward the consequences would be serious. Four miles out, when the Tibetan preparations were becoming visible, a more notable incident occurred. The Lhasa Dapen himself, accompanied by the Shizaise Dapen, the Phari commandant and Gesar Yeshi Wang-jyuk, the Lama representative of the great Ganden Lamasery, ambled quickly across the plain and an informal conference was held between the military and political chiefs of the expedition on either side. It was merely a repetition of the same old story. Coach-

ed from Lhasa, the delegates had no power, if indeed they had the wish, to say anything but "Go back to Yatung." This impotency and obstinacy had served the Tibetans in good stead for fifteen years, as Col. Younghusband reminded them. How were they to realize that at last the British government was in earnest? After twenty minutes of excited controversy, carried on by the interpretation of Captain O'Connor, who had need to be the most patient of men, the small durbars were broken up, the more important of the Tibetans entering back to their defences in a cloud of dust. One or two only endeavored by violent precipitation and shooting all together to secure the retreat of the English. O'Connor, though he was being jostled and ridden off ten times a minute, retained his composure, explaining again and again that the advance must continue until these, too, scampered off on their stout little ponies, shouting excitedly to each other.

It was a curious incident. The impassive non possumus which Col. Younghusband returned to the heated declamation of the two senior delegates—all four squatting on the ground and surrounded by a motley assemblage of attendant soldiers—the gay yellow and green yellow coats of the generals of Lhasa and Shigatse, the various head-dresses of the Tibetans, the purple and blue robes of a speckled councillor, the strange, forked gun, embossed with turquoise and coral, the richly worked sword hilts, the little grey and bay ponies saddle-clad with swastika-patterned stuffs, and gay with filagree brass pendants and wide encased iron stirrups, all took on a curious interest, not only as the last appeal of the Tibetans to their ancient policy of isolation and obstinacy, but more impressively still in view of the impending catastrophe.

Hard as it was on the men, the General, at Col. Younghusband's earnest request, consented to issue orders that no man was to use his rifle till the Tibetans had opened fire. This threw away at a stroke the advantage held by our weapons of range and precision and laid the advancing Sepoy open to a withering discharge at point blank range at any moment is approaching any on the many sangars. It was a case of "gentlemen of the enemy, fire first," which has probably not been known since the days of Fontenoy. Then ensued a strange scene. Oct towards the lake extended lines were pushed forward, far outflanking the wall. While these were slowly closing in on the line of the Tibetans' retreat, the 23rd Pioneers—Musti Sikhs to a man—and the 8th Gurkhas were clearing the hills on the left, making each sangar disclose its inhabitants one after another. It was done in silence and almost with good humor, but over the two staffs remaining out on the plain, and watching with straining eyes the slow progress of the khaki figures on the two-

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The Fight at Guru

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mile distant slopes, there was a hush of expectation and suspense. At any moment a shot would explode a powder magazine and it was not till the last of the hundreds of grey-coated figures had suddenly come down to the wall that the officers shut up their field glasses and moved in to where the work of disarmament was to take place. The sense of insecurity lessened strength which might break out at any moment, gave place to congratulations, and the incident was regarded as almost over. The Commissioner and the General—it was hardly prudent—rode into the wall together to watch the huddled crowd of Tibetans who had been assembled behind the wall in an irregular mass, covering about as much ground as a battalion in quarter column. On three sides of them were our guards. The fourth, the line of retreat, alone lay open to them. Two hundred others had been taken prisoners and disarmed already up the hill. These remained passive and thankful spectators of what followed.

But the main body of Tibetans were not subdued, and the unwitting action of the mission leaders almost put it into their power to carry out a scheme which some of their own people have betrayed. This was nothing less than to suffer the advance of the escort through the wall and then to make a confused attack upon Col. Younghusband and the members of his staff. Gen. Macdonald insisted upon which Gen. Macdonald insisted upon defeat their plans, and when the Fikhs advanced to carry out their orders, there was an ugly growl of protest. In some cases the Fikhs were actually struck by Tibetans in others a wrestle for the weapon took place. This was not immediately noticeable from where the General and his staff were standing in the opening immediately between the wall and the house, within ten yards of one edge of the mass of Tibetans who numbered about 1,500. It was almost exactly noonday.

The Lamen of Lhasa himself was the man who set the slumbering mine ablaze. He was seated on his horse just outside the wall and, exempt himself from the confiscation of his arms, shouted to his men to resist. They replied by stoning the Sikhs. Even then, though the whole affair hung in a slippery balance indeed, the latter re-trained themselves. One of them advanced to the head of the Dapen's pony, and the Lhasan general, in an evil moment for himself and his countrymen, drew his pistol and shot at him, smashing his jaw. There were five seconds' hush, which was broken by another report. A jezail for which a Sikh and a Tibetan were struggling was discharged into the air. But it was almost unnoticed in the sudden onslaught which the Tibetans made to the wall with drawn swords. Such of them as had their pieces ready fired them point blank at the Indian guards, and then, dropping them, flung themselves into the melee. Two Europeans were caught inside the reins, and both were wounded, one, Mr. Candlish, the correspondent of the Daily Mail, being severely cut about before his assailants were shot down by Captain Davis of the J. M. S. The other, Major Dunlop, owes his life to Gen. Macdonald, who at ten yards dropped the three Tibetans who had thrown themselves upon him.

But by this time the storm had broken and from three sides at once a hail of bullets rained into the mob of cutting and thrusting Tibetans. Their plan had failed and under the appalling storm of lead they staggered, failed and ran. But it was such a target as is offered not twice in a lifetime. Straight down the line of fire lay their only path of escape. With their own weapons, safety lay 200 yards away. Two hundred yards on was a sharply squared rock, behind which a certain refuge was, they thought, to be found. But the Gurkhas had stopped this bolt-hole from above, and the flying mob moved away along the highroad defenceless. Men dropped at every yard. Here there was even an ugly heap of dead and wounded men, some 30 in number, within the area of a large mountain. Every ten yards of the road had been stricken down and shapeless burden, till 1,000 yards away some rocks afforded them a temporary shelter, and the winding road saved them from the merciless punishment they had challenged. Punishment is the word. As soon as their first and almost critical assault had failed, there was nothing for the mission escort to fear except, perhaps, the crossing bullets of their own companions. Shrapnel pursued the luckless remnants of the slowly retreating force—for at an altitude of 15,000 feet, running is impossible. On either side the mounted infantry rode down the stragglers

into the mountains or across the plains and only a scanty number came unscathed out of the ordeal. The native troops had kept their tempers to breaking point and they had no mercy when the Tibetans' daring attempt to equalize matters and use their 'castle superior numbers by a hand-to-hand conflict had failed.

It was a short but terrible lesson. One may hope that it will have its effect upon the silliness of Lhasa, but there were too few Lamas engaged on their side to bring home to the great ruling monasteries of Tibet the danger of trifling with her southern neighbor when once the day of procrastination is past. An attempt was made to defend Gurat itself, two miles on, but this was quickly broken and after establishing a garrison there Gen. Macdonald returned to Tuna against a bitter wind and a gathering sky after having made every possible arrangement for the help of the wounded. Such is the brief account of an unparalleled engagement. It remains to be seen whether the lesson will have been learned. It is to be regretted that not one of the four leading Tibetans escaped to tell the tale at home. But the 200 first taken and disarmed will be able to testify to the good faith and treatment which they received at our hands, and it will be difficult to get the country people to meet us in flight again. Indeed some of them openly rejoiced in their freedom that the Gaden Lama was dead.

WAR NOTES

From a private letter written by an artillery officer at Port Arthur, dated April 20, it appears that General Kiosseoff, the Russian commander there, was then daily expecting the cutting off of his communications. The officer reported that everything was ready to withstand a siege, and expressed surprise at the fact that the enemy had delayed so long. He said the fortress was practically impregnable, adding that there was a triple row of forts around the Port Arthur gulf, each position being fronted by a moat with a hedge of barbed wire beyond, with bomb-proofs behind all the batteries. The officer further declared that they had plenty of supplies and ammunition, and that the garrison was in excellent spirits and confident of holding out for nine months or a year against any number of the enemy, if they possessed siege guns. General Kurapatkin offered Gen. Kiosseoff reinforcements, but the latter declined them, saying that he had enough men, and did not care to run the risk of an epidemic as a result of overcrowding.

Much uncertainty exists in St. Petersburg as to exactly what is occurring at the theatre of the enemy. Gen. Kurapatkin's plans are most carefully guarded. Although he is believed to be concentrating troops near Liao Yang, very little actual information on the subject is obtainable. The general impression, however, is that heavy fighting will occur within a fortnight.

Adverse received by the general staff indicate that the Japanese are pushing the campaign in Southern Manchuria with great energy. This spring season, which will render the roads almost impassable, begins in a week, and the latest belief there is that the enemy hopes to make his position secure by a decisive engagement before the rains set in. The army organ believes that at least eight divisions of the enemy not counting 20,000 men in the lower part of the Liao Tung peninsula, are in Southern Manchuria, as to the force advancing along the littoral from the Yalu, where it is believed another army has landed, information is very incomplete.

The three divisions of Gen. Kurapatkin's army separated at Feng Wang Cheng. According to the reports of the Russian scouts, 16,000 infantry, with 40 guns and 1,500 cavalry, moved north to Samatzy (Sai-Mo-Ki), whence they could strike either Mukien or Liao Yang. The flank of this force is protected by a battalion of infantry, three squadrons of cavalry, and a mountain battery at Kuang Chan Ssang. A division of Japanese Guards proceeded west to Hai Cheng, and 10,000 infantry, with fifty guns, mostly mountain pieces, moved southwest toward Kai Ping and reached the Siliaypu fort, of the Ta-Yang river Tuesday, leaving on Wednesday for Suyan Chuan. How many reserves came up behind them on the Feng Wang Cheng road is not known.

All of these forces, at the rate of traveling, are due to their destinations Sunday or Monday. The Russians are in the dark as to the place where to await the Japanese attack. It is considered possible that the northern force will be heavily reinforced, and that a simultaneous attack of the southern force will clear the road to New Chwang, and permit the enemy to move directly northward and strike the Russian flank at Liao Yang or Mukden.

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(Bulletin Special Dispatch).

Ottawa, May 19th.—The Transcontinental Bill reached the stage of third reading in the House of Commons today. Eleven amendments were moved by the Opposition by way of obstruction. Three of the amendments had all or chiefly been discussed in committee of the whole and consequently they were put up for the purpose of securing the votes of the members.

For the first time this session, Mr. Monk took an active part in the debate and moved the first amendment. Hitherto he has been silent under the shadow of public displacement from the French leadership by Tarte. His action to-day indicates that Tarte has failed to secure that leadership. Monk's amendment was defeated by 90 to 56. Pope's amendment was defeated by 92 to 72. Although there were eleven amendments proposed these were the only ones that were voted on. The House adjourned at 10 o'clock on the same day, although when the first amendment of eight o'clock was voted on there were only fourteen Opposition members in the chamber. The House adjourned to-night until Wednesday the 25th. Arrangements are being made for the final vote on the third reading for Thursday next.

Measles in the MacKenzie Basin

All the Eskimo living in MacKenzie basin with the exception of ten families have been killed by the ravages of measles, says the Dawson City News. Before the epidemic there were 40 to 50 families with a total of perhaps 150 to 200 or more souls. The great ravages of the disease and the awful results are told by Bishop Breynat, who has just reached Dawson by long and tedious journeying from the mouth of the MacKenzie. He says:

"The natives when attacked by the dread disease, living in a scant way and without the protection and advantage of a civilized people, soon give way to the suffering."

"Few, if any whites, were among them. The Eskimo of that region refused the association of the whites and the churches could not convert them. The dissipated and wanton class of whites, the Arctic whalers, whose first came into contact with the Eskimo and they naturally feared all whites thereafter."

"Our missionaries endeavored to convert the Eskimo, but without the least effect. Father Lefevre, now of Dawson, once found his efforts utterly fruitless. The whalers had dulled the edge of friendship and confidence."

"The families which have suffered so greatly have made their homes on the lower MacKenzie. Many other Eskimo live along the Arctic coast, east and west of the MacKenzie, but I do not know that the disease prevailed among them. They are an unsung and untaught people, simply because of their intolerance of the whites. It is much better for them that they have shunned rather than cultivated the whites. Once having learned the bitter lesson of imposition from their visitors."

"The ravages which carried off the MacKenzie Eskimo occurred last spring but the news from the MacKenzie comes out by such slow and tedious piecemeal process usually that it is doubtful if civilization has learned of the full importance of the epidemic as now reported by Bishop Breynat. The Bishop left the MacKenzie country a few weeks ago."

Apple Trees for the Northwest

Calgary Herald.—It will be very satisfactory to learn that Dr. William Sanders, director of Canadian experimental farms, announces that an apple tree has been found that will thrive and grow well generally in the Western and North West climates. It has been brought about by crossing the Duchess or Wealthy variety with a crab apple. This fruit is said to be not very large but that it will be admirably adapted for domestic use.

The climate of the North West is not different from that of other countries in that it may require a selection of a particular kind of tree to grow and the necessity of acclimatizing it. Experiments and tests will be carrying this about and apparently Dr. Sanders has one kind that will grow. People can think that it with a good amount of success at least.

Apple trees have grown successfully in certain parts of Alberta. At Medicine Hat such trees thrive and we understand Mr. Pinder has been very successful with them. In Calgary certain varieties have been planted and seem to grow quite as well as the ordinary apple trees. Mr. A. H. Thompson in his garden has one or two trees entering the fifth season and quite a number in the fourth season, and hopes to have some bearing fruit this season.

The experiments and tests are therefore well advanced and it is hoped a large number of people will co-operate by making further experiments. The question will be settled and we have no doubt that it will be shown that Alberta and the rest of the Territories can grow fruit trees.

NEWS OF THE WORLD

IN BRIEF PARAGRAPHS

Condensed Dispatches Dealing With the Day's Most Important Happenings.

Winnipeg, May 20th.

Winnipeg monthly bank clearings show continued increases.

Traffic has been resumed across the Lumsden valley.

22,599 British have sailed for Canada since July 1st of last year.

Eleven amendments were moved to the Grand Trunk Pacific Bill yesterday by the opposition.

Moosajaw is spending \$150,000 on civic improvements.

The Dominque insurgents have defeated the government forces.

The beleaguered British garrison at Jowit, Tibet, made a sortie against the enemy.

The London Times will reduce its price of subscription to a penny.

The townsites case was conducted in court yesterday and Mr. E. B. Osler, M.P., was examined.

The C. P. R. locomotive shops in Winnipeg will be the second largest in America.

The British Columbia Provincial Mining Association wants a bounty on export ores.

A party of colonists have arrived at the British colony by the river route from Edmonton.

Hon. A. B. Morine, of Newfoundland, says Canada must make overtures if the Dominion desires confederation.

The battleship Hatsuse, one of the finest vessels of the Japanese navy, was destroyed by running on a Russian mine on May 15th.

The cruiser Yoshino was sunk by the Kassa in a dense fog.

Gen. Kuroki's advance is hindered by heavy rains.

Mr. Osler's Railway Exploits

Free Press: Before Mr. Justice Percival, attorney-general for the Dominion of Canada vs. C.P.R., was commenced this morning. This suit was instituted by the attorney-general against the C.P.R. The Canada North-west Land Co., Lord Strathcona and Mount Royal, E. B. Osler and R. B. Angus as defendants.

In June, 1882, when the C.P.R. was constructing their line through Manitoba and the N. W. T. they owned extensive tracts of land through which their main line passed, which were sold to and vested in the Canada Northwest Land Co. Subsequently for the sake of convenience the lands were vested in Lord Strathcona, E. B. Osler, R. B. Angus and the late W. B. Smith as trustees, with power to deal with the lands as and forth in the agreement entered into.

The C.P.R. was entitled to the odd numbered sections and the crown to the even numbered ones, so the government and C. P. R. joined in the setting aside of certain lands for the purpose of convenience. In October, 1884, an agreement was entered into by the crown and the C.P.R. for the vesting of the lands in the trustees—Smith, Strathcona, Osler and Angus, the crown to have free title for government purposes and the C.P.R. to have free title for railway purposes. The trustees caused the town sites to be surveyed and commenced selling the same, the sales realizing \$800,000.

The government alleged that the express of management and commissions allowed by the trustees were too large and an agreement was entered into to wind up the trust. Pursuant to that agreement the crown brought this action for an account and for the administration and winding up of the trust and for payment of any balance found due to the crown on taking the accounts.

May Absorb the C.N.R.

Toronto, Ont., May 19.—An interesting statement with regard to the railway lines that will be absorbed by the Grand Trunk Pacific was made by Robert Jeffrey, who has been in the city attending meetings of the Montreal Investment and Freehold Loan company.

"While not in the secrets of Mr. Mackenzie, president of the Canadian Northern, said Mr. Jeffrey, I may say that the general opinion at present is that the Canadian Northern will be absorbed by the Grand Trunk Pacific. It is now generally understood that Mr. Mann is willing to sell, but Mr. Mackenzie refuses to do so. It may be that he is looking for a higher price, but it is equally possible that his object is to complete a third transcontinental line."

It is now plain that the Toronto Railway and all other branch lines that are owned by the Ontario government will be taken over by the Grand Trunk Pacific. This may be said of the Parry Sound railway, and likely of the Canada Atlantic. With regard to the latter it is perhaps a little soon to make any conjecture.

THE COLLEGE SITE

AND THE RIVER VIEW

Brief Interviews With Some Leading Public Men Regarding action to Preserve the View

The question having been raised of some action being taken by the town to preserve the view of the river and flats which is in a measure threatened by the proposed building of Alberta College, the Bulletin interviewed a few of the leading public men of the town with a view of presenting in a measure the general opinion on the matter.

Mayor Short was personally in favor of having the view preserved, the more so as the Hudson's Bay Company had indicated an intention of granting to the town a considerable strip of the face of the hill from the Old Fort buildings eastward to be used as a park. When in Winnipeg some time since he called on Mr. Aldous in regard to the matter and had been given to understand that the question had already been suggested to the company and that they were considering it at that time. He was in favor of securing some other site for the college and making an equitable exchange if necessary, to preserve the unobstructed view along College avenue. The council, he said, are now engaged in negotiations with the college authorities regarding the matter and before anything definite is done he would be glad to know through the medium of the press the public sentiment as to what would in a measure be a guide to them in their deliberations.

Ex-Mayor Mackenzie said he sympathized with those who wished to preserve the view. The city driveway left in town affording a view of the river and the flats was College avenue from McDougall to Park street. He considered it a matter for regret that the drive was now a mile in length instead of only a block. It would have been a great gain to the town to have preserved along the entire bank and buildings erected on the north side of the river, a driveway as wide as the highway, and a view of the river and valley from all points along the driveway. He considered it too late in the history of the town to purchase such a driveway now but regretted the proposal to destroy the only remaining view. He thought that the College Board would be making a great mistake to build in the proposed place as they would have no room for expansion, and that the college expands as it is expected. Last season, he pointed out, the college authorities expressed the wish to procure a large plot of ground, probably ten acres, to allow room for the buildings found necessary in future and for expansion. To now propose to build in the cramped spot on the hill acts in a very real sense a charge of policy, and he considered, as an urban one. The proposed site would afford no room even for walks and during the hours of relaxation the students would have no place to go except to the street.

Councillor Ross said he had always been opposed to having the view shut off by the erection of buildings on the south side of College avenue. If necessary he would favor making a suitable site for the college and exchanging with them, so that the property might come permanently into the hands of the town and be maintained as a park.

Councillor Ross was not in favor of the town taking any action in the matter. The site after he considered was a good one for the college, and while he regretted having the view shut off he would not favor the town going to any expense in the matter. He also understood that the property on which the college building is proposed to be erected was given to the town some years ago.

Impressed with Canada

Montreal, Quebec, May 18.—L. Cleon, a representative of the Belgian government, who is touring Canada in connection with the celebration of the centennial of the arrival of the first immigrants, has been for the past six months touring Canada in the interest of a large Belgian emigration society. Mr. Cleon, who is now on his way home, stated today that he was more than satisfied with what he had seen. Canada was eminently fitted for the residence of his countrymen, who made the town farmers. Outside the towns and cities his people were disposed to cultivate land. As a matter of fact there was a considerable number of Belgians in the country already, and in the neighborhood of Pelly, Fox and Lake Temiskaming in New Quebec, not a few had made a notable success of farming. He had been appointed by the Belgian government some time ago to come to this country for the purpose of seeing with his own eyes what prospects could be held out. He would report most favorably. The resources of his country were simply wonderful. He believed some of his countrymen would in the immediate future find their way to this country.

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BAPTIST.

A. M. McDonald, B.A., pastor. Sunday services at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Sunday school at 11 a.m. Prayer meeting on Wednesday evening at 8 p.m. B.Y.P.U. on Monday at 8 p.m. Strangers invited.

LUTHERAN.

Rev. John Von Gienichen will preach in the Lutheran church, Strathcona, morning and evening tomorrow, and in Carnegie hall, Edmonton at 3 p.m.

METHODIST.

McDougall.—Rev. C. Huestis, pastor. Sabbath services at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Sunday school at 3 p.m. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 8 p.m. Epworth League at 8 p.m. Monday evening. All are invited.

PRESBYTERIAN.

Rev. D. G. McQueen, pastor. Sabbath services at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Sunday school at 3 p.m. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 8 p.m. Young peoples' meeting on Monday evening at 8 p.m. You are cordially invited to attend these services.

ROMAN CATHOLIC.

St. Joachim's Church.—Every Sunday and feast of obligation, first mass at 8 a.m. Solemn high mass at 10:30 a.m. Vespers and benediction of the blessed sacrament at 7 p.m. Sunday school at 3 p.m. Sermon, morning and evening, alternately, in French and English, occasionally in Ruthenian and Cree languages.

Every day of the week masses are celebrated at the Convent, the Grand Trunk and the Maternity Hospital at 6 a.m. Every Thursday solemn benediction of the blessed sacrament at 7:30 p.m. Every first Friday of the month, Mass at 8 a.m. Exposition of the blessed sacrament the whole day. H. Leclerc, O.M.I., A. Lemarchand, O.M.I., A. Jan, O.M.I.

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Versa, the French coach horse. Anyone wishing particulars apply to J. Watson, president, or to Alberta stable, or to J. A. Appleby, secretary, Horse Breeders' association, Edmonton. d-78-tf

FOR SALE.

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WARNING

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By Order,
CHIEF OF POLICE.

d-98-tf

NOTICE.

Dr. Park, Physician, Surgeon and Accoucheur, a Post Graduate of the New York Polytechnic Medical School and Hospital, has opened an office at his residence, Fifth street, H. B. B. (north) close to Main street. Office will be in Heinicke's block when completed. Telephone No. 207, Edmonton, Alta.

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FARMS FOR SALE.

N.E. 1-4 Sec. 3, Tp. 54, R. 25, W. 4; N.W. 1-4 Sec. 34, Tp. 54, P. 25, W. 4, for sale cheap, four miles from St. Albert. Apply to Larue & Picard. d-102-127-c

If your accounts are tied up in knots and your books won't balance, send a post card to WILLIAM BEST, Accountant, Edmonton.

FOUND.

A gold chain and locket found on the street has been left at the Bulletin office for the owner to claim. d-102-tf

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FOR SALE.

Firewood, edgings and slabs for sale. Apply D. R. Fraser & Co.'s saw mills. d-107-tf

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Secy-Treas.

Edmonton Industrial Exhibition Association.
D-114-118-c

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On Saturday, the 14th inst. a pair of gold rimmed glasses in a case. The finder will please leave at this office. d-114-tf

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WESTERN NEWS

—Free Press: Hon. Mr. LaRivière, M.P., for Provencher, arrived home from Ottawa yesterday and will remain for a few days to attend to some territorial business. He expects that the session of the Commons will extend over another two months at least. Some contemplated tariff changes, he says, will be dealt with after the Grand Trunk Pacific bill has been disposed of and will probably occupy considerable time.

—Free Press: A Roseland paper says: A report is to hand that the one-armed convict Mulholland is serving three years in the Stony Mountain penitentiary, Manitoba, for a crime similar to the vicious assault for which he was arrested in Roseland a couple of years ago. Mulholland was awaiting trial at the Nelson jail when he escaped the jail yard, wall and escaped, eluding the vigorous search instituted immediately. The authorities will probably make an effort to secure the thing when his sentence in Manitoba expires.

—Free Press: Julius Aszaki, a farmer of De Salaberry municipality on Saturday was committed by Magistrate McMicken to stand his trial on the charge of attempting to murder a neighbor named Michael Prociok. Difference of religion led to a quarrel between the two men, and the breach gradually widened. Finally one night while Prociok was passing Aszaki's farm a shot was fired at him, which fortunately failed to take effect. The trial and committal followed.

—Fort William, May 15th: William Whyte, third vice-president and manager of the western division of the C.P.R., arrived last night in the private car. Barisicoff, and spent today in consultation with the C.P.R. officials here. This afternoon the press representative had an interview with Mr. Whyte, and he stated that the company will build a working house for an elevator "B." The new structure will have a capacity of unloading forty cars per hour, and be one of the most complete and modern houses built by the company. The building will be located near elevator "E," which will also be the means of giving the railway more yard room on the ground occupied by elevator "B" destroyed by fire.

—An Arcola dispatch says: The C.P.R. have begun the work of completing the extension from here to Regina. One contractor and his outfit has been at work for some days, and yesterday a party of surveyors under the direction of Robert Black, C.E., started out to run the lines for the small portions of the grades yet to be constructed. With favorable weather the line is expected to be completed in between two and three months.

—Free Press: C. W. Speers, Dominion Inspector of Immigration, wires from the west that passengers wishing to make connections for points along the Prince Albert branch, should leave Winnipeg Monday or Thursday. By leaving on these days direct connection may be made at Regina. The transfer arrangements at Lumsden have been completed and are working most satisfactorily, while the railway company is fast getting their tracks in shape for traffic. There are but a few places north of Regina which still need seed grain and these are being supplied without difficulty.

—Swift Current Sun: Some heavy losses in sheep are reported from the south. One outfit about forty miles up the Swift Current creek, started in the winter with three thousand head, and lost all but three hundred. Another had eighteen hundred, and came through with one hundred and fifty. Still, another rancher, during the storm last May lost heavily, and, learning by this experience, made preparations for the winter just past. He put up plenty of hay last summer, built good and ample shelter for the animals with the result that he came through with losing only one sheep. At our Swift Current farm a nice healthy looking flock of sheep may be seen, which bask in the sun, wintering by the enterprising manager. It is the old story repeated, "Be prepared for any emergency and all will be well." If we are prepared only for the best unexpected misfortune is sure to befall us.

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Jap Soldiers, Their Food and Dress

The Japanese regiment of infantry consists of three battalions of four companies each, of a total strength of 5,400 officers and men. In each regiment there are 18 regimental bearers, distinguished by a red band worn above the elbow of the left arm. The scope of the regimental medical service in action comprises medical aid in the fighting line and at the dressing stations. These stations are closed when the bearer companies begin their work. The medical officer and his assistants are employed at the front under fire at the temporary dressing stations referred to, but the Japanese regulations require the regimental medical service to keep well closed up with the fighting line, and to conform to its movements. The equipment is similar to that carried by all armies, but is very liberally supplied. The medicines are of the small European kinds, morphia, iodoform, Hoffman's anodyne, etc.

The bearer company forms a divisional organization, consisting of a central administration and two sub-divisions of three sections each, of a total strength of 416 officers and men, and 51 horses. There are 10 medical officers and 4 pharmacists. This column is under the control of the division commander, who is advised by the chief of the division medical staff. Each bearer column bears the name of the division to which it belongs, and is organized so that it can at any time be divided into two equal parts. Ordinarily one half marches with the advance guard and the other half in the main body. The function of the bearer company is to act between the dressing stations and the field hospital.

The food of the army in time of peace consists of 36 ounces of rice, and six cents for the purchase of beef, chicken, pork, fish or vegetables, tea, pepper and miso, a kind of pea flour. That amount of money does not purchase much of these articles, but the Japanese are satisfied with a very small proportion of animal food if they can have their rice flavored with fish or "soy." The rice is boiled in bulk in large pots for each section of a company. The daily field ration consists of rice, 56 ounces; chicken, beef, pork or fish, 5 ounces; of preserved meat, 11-2 ounces; or dried meat, 4 ounces; with vegetables, fresh, 5 ounces; or dried vegetables, 2 ounces; spice, 17-8 ounces; preserved plums, 11-2 ounces; and salt, miso, tea, a nut-flency. The cooking is very simple. If the men were with their regiments up with the cooking utensils were brought up with the column, the rice was boiled in large boilers and the preserved meat, vegetables, etc., were added by the men themselves. Each battalion carried a box containing appliances for analysis of water, and medical officers were sent on ahead to examine each proposed camping place. Each battalion also carried wooden filters. The water was, where necessary, ordered to be boiled, but this was often not carried out, as it appeared to be nobody's business to see that it was done.

Dress—The weight of the infantry clothing and equipment, including rifle, ammunition and special ration, was 56 pounds, 15 ounces. Besides the ordinary great coat during the cold weather, the officers and men mobilized for the war (1894) had one made of brown blanketing, with a hood and special covering for the head, concealed under the collar, and a pair of mittens of the same material as the coat. It came down to the ankles, and had a hand to tuck around the waist. The men in the field had a paper shirt and a pair of drawers. In very cold weather these were worn between the usual under and over shirts and were said to be very warm. There was considerable suffering from ill-fitting shoes and canvas gaiters and cotton socks. The knapsack was faulty and pressed untidily on the chest and arm pit. The material of which the tunic and trousers were made was of blue cloth with stripes of different color to distinguish the different arms of the service.

BOARD OF TRADE

The council of the board of trade met in the office of Secretary Tins yesterday to consider various matters. The most important question dealt with was that of C.N.R. construction being carried eastward from Edmonton during the present summer. The vice president and secretary were instructed to wire President MacKenzie of the C.N.R., pointing out the advisability of beginning construction operations at this end of the line at once.

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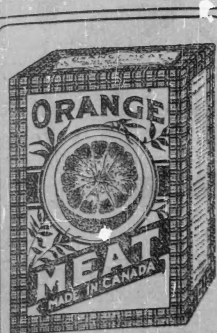
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